

ARREST OF STOCK WRECKERS.

THREE MEN HAVE BEEN JAILED!

PLUNGED TO DEATH ON A LOCOMOBILE.

Young Jerome Van Valkenburg Tumbled Down an Elevator Shaft on His Machine.

Jerome Van Valkenburg, nineteen years old, of 171 Bainbridge street, Brooklyn, rode a locomobile into the elevator shaft on the fourth story of the Locomobile Company of America factory, at Seventy-sixth street and Broadway, this afternoon.

He plunged with his machine down sixty feet to the basement and was instantly killed.

Van Valkenburg is a cleaner employed by the Locomobile Company. He was polishing and arranging the vehicles on the fourth floor this afternoon. Steam was up in a great many machines for exhibition purposes.

Van Valkenburg wished to move a 600-pound runabout to the opposite side of the room.

He jumped into the seat and turned the lever. The machine wobbled and then balked.

"Look out for the elevator shaft!" yelled Sidney McLean, a fellow-workman, noting his companion's awkward management.

The cry started Van Valkenburg. He pulled a lever and the machine shot forward at full speed, headed direct for the elevator shaft.

The hatchway was protected by a heavy expanded metal gate.

Finding the machine beyond his control Van Valkenburg tried to jump. He

went up into the air as the machine crashed against the gate and smashed it as if it were built of kindling.

Man and machine plunged down the shaft to death.

He had half hung himself from the machine when it started into the open elevator shaft, crashed against the opposite wall and started on the downward plunge.

Van Valkenburg was crushed out of human semblance in the wreck of the machine when he was picked up at the bottom of the shaft.

He had become tangled in the machine as it bumped from side to side of the shaft in its downward fight. Death probably came to him before the machine crashed against the asphalt flooring of the basement.

Occupants of the building heard the noise as the locomobile bumped its way down four stories of the narrow elevator shaft.

The open elevator cage told those on the fourth floor what had happened. Persons in other parts of the building rushed to the basement and lifted the lifeless body of Van Valkenburg from the tangled mass of broken machinery.

All his limbs were broken, his chest caved in and the base of the skull fractured.

Van Valkenburg was identified by employees of the Locomobile Company. His body was removed to the morgue.

Editor Davis Is Held in \$11,000 Bail for Alleged Libel.

Goslin Arrested in Philadelphia and Eugene L. Packer and H. J. Alexander Here.



ALFRED RANLEIGH GOSLIN.

Three men who operate in Wall street were arrested in this city to-day under indictment by the Grand Jury appointed by Gov. Roosevelt to investigate the libels affecting the stock of Brooklyn Rapid Transit.

Alfred R. Goslin, who was the head of the E. S. Dean syndicate, and who seems to have engineered the conspiracy against the Flower stock, was arrested in Philadelphia last night.

Charles Thomas Davis, editor of the Wall Street Review, was held in \$11,000 bail by Justice Furman this afternoon, in default of which he was locked in the Tombs.

Eugene L. Packer, speculator, of 2 Broadway, also accused, was held in \$11,000 bail. August J. De Kaufstein of 110 West Fifty-eighth street, furnished his bond.

The Grand Jury made its presentment to-day. It threw a vivid light on the affairs of Wall street.

Mary J. Alexander, alleged to be the advertising agent of Goslin, was also arrested last night and lodged in Police Headquarters. He was brought to court shortly after the Grand Jury made its presentment this morning.

IOP.M.EXTRA

SHOT HIMSELF BEFORE MIRROR IN SALOON.

George Rauh, 34 years old, shot and killed himself in the saloon of Henry Weisinger, at Thirtieth street and First avenue this afternoon. Just previous to the shooting Rauh was standing outside the store watching Policeman O'Brien, of the East Thirty-fifth street station, trying to take two drunken men to the station-house. He laughed at the actions of the men and then went into the saloon, passed to a rear room, and standing before a mirror pulled a revolver and sent a bullet into his head. Rauh was an employee of Paik, the photographer, and lived at 344 East Thirty-third street.

SWALLOWED ACID AND DIED

Ambron J. White, a collector, forty-four years old, killed himself by swallowing carbolic acid at his residence, 1174 Park avenue, to-day.

BICYCLE FALL FATAL

Mrs. Emma Taylor, forty years old, of 436 Fifty-fifth street, Brooklyn, fell from a bicycle on Post Hamilton avenue at the corner of Fifty-first street, and sustained a commotion of the brain. She died this afternoon.

FIFTY KILLED BY MINE GAS.

Sixty-eight Miners Buried in Red Ashe (W. Va.) Pit by Explosion—Rescuers Hard at Work.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., March 6.—The greatest mining horror in the New River region occurred at Red Ashe to-day by an explosion in the drift mine of the Red Ashe Coal Company.

The mine was full of men and the explosion occurred near the entrance, which was closed by falling slate. A relief crew was quickly at work.

The working capacity of the mine is 175 men and it was being worked to its fullest capacity to fill rush orders. It is believed over 100 men were at work.

Already fifty bodies have been taken out and the work of rescue is still going on.

State Mine Inspector Pinkney is on the ground with a corps of experts lending all assistance possible. So far no statement has been made as to the cause of the disaster. It is thought the gas ignited from a miner's lamp.

The explosion made but little noise, and the accident was first discovered by a laborer at the entrance. The injured are being cared for as well as possible under the circumstances, and every effort is being made to rescue those still in the mine.

The scene of the accident is three miles above Thurmond, on the Chesapeake and Ohio road. The principal owner of the mine is J. Fred Edinger, of Staunton, Va.

It is believed that four-fifths of the men in the mines were killed.

The news of the disaster swept through the town like an electric shock and within a few minutes hundreds of men, women and children, relatives of the unfortunate miners, were crowded upon the scene of the disaster.

As the conviction that the rescue of the entombed men alive was hopeless forced itself on the grief-stricken crowds they became frantic in their endeavors to reach their dead and dying in the wrecked shaft, and the work of attempted rescue was organized with extreme difficulty.

Of the first twelve men brought to the surface five were dead or died within a few minutes, and several of the others were horribly burned or bruised.

As the work proceeded and the dead bodies were brought up one by one, the scene at the mouth of the shaft became depressing. Shrieking, frantic women and children begged the rescuers.

BRITAIN FEARS A FOREIGN FOE.

Mobilizes the Fleet and Keeps Ambassador Pouncefote at Washington.

LONDON, March 6.—Alarming rumors are again current in financial circles here as to the attitude of Europe. A distinctly uneasy feeling prevails.

The more confident feeling induced by Sir Michael Hicks-Beach's speech on the Budget faded as the day wore on and analysis showed it to contain a grave note of warning of international complications.

Mobilization of a powerful fleet at Torbay goes on quickly. At least twenty warships are gathered there and more are under orders. Of these there are fifteen battle-ships, the newest and best in the service.

ROBERTS REPORTS ON BRITISH SUCCESSES.

LONDON, March 6.—The War Office gave out the following despatch from Lord Roberts to-day:

"OSFONTEIN, Orange Free State, March 6.—Gen. Gatacre occupied Stormberg yesterday. The lines of railway north and west will now be repaired. Gen. Clements is at Joubert's siding station, beyond Colesburg.

"The Duke of Marlborough with the Oxford company of the Imperial Yeomanry, has left Cape Town for Naauw Poort.

"Gen. Buller reports Natal as practically clear of the enemy and that he cannot hear of any formed body of them anywhere. The Boers left some ambulances full of their dead and wounded from which the mules had been taken for transport purposes."

BOERS IN FULL RETREAT FROM CAPE COLONY.

LONDON, March 6.—The Boers in Northern Cape Colony are in full retreat to the Orange Free State. The possession of Stormberg puts Gen. Gatacre in railroad communication with Gen. Clements at Colesburg, for, though the Boers partially wrecked the railroad, it can be quickly repaired, and thus the entrance of additional British troops into the Free State will be greatly facilitated.

From Ofsfontein, where Field Marshal Lord Roberts is opposed by a good-sized body of Boers, there is still no news except reports of minor skirmishes.

The position gained by Gen. Buller at Dordrecht is reported to be exceedingly strong. According to the Times's correspondent the Boer numbers alone enabled them to retreat from Dordrecht practically unhindered. He also reports a violation of the white flag by the Boers and that they deliberately fired at close range, on a stretcher party.

Gen. White's services have begun to leave Ladysmith and is enroute to the New River camp, where the

troops will remain several days, after which they will go further south. They are emaciated and exhausted, and say the road to Colesburg presents scenes that caused in horror those depicted in Dante's "Inferno."

Dead men and animals are lying all about and putrid. In the

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WEATHER FORECAST.

Forecast for the thirty-six hours ending at 5 P. M. Wednesday for New York City and vicinity: Rain to-night; Wednesday fair, with colder in afternoon and night; high east wind coming westerly by Wednesday morning.

A High Standard of Weather is expected for the next few days.

CLEVELAND FLITS SOUTH

Ex-President Off for Florida with His Chums.

Ex-President Grover Cleveland left this city for the South this afternoon. Accompanying Mr. Cleveland are E. C. Benedict and Daniel Lamont. It was expected that the party would go on Mr. Benedict's yacht, but the vessel is laid up for repairs and the trip will be made by rail.

The party will go to Florida, where a fishing and hunting excursion has been planned. They will remain in the South until perhaps the end of the month, when Mr. Cleveland will return home.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleveland came to this city at 10 o'clock this morning. They went directly to Mr. Benedict's home and spent the day.

At 5 o'clock the ex-President and Mrs. Cleveland took a carriage for the Penn. station, where they will board the train for the South.

AGREES TO FINANCE BILL.

Senate Indorses Conference Report by a Vote of 64 to 24.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—The Senate this afternoon agreed to the conference report on the Financial bill by a vote of 64 to 24.

\$38,438 TO MRS. LAWTON.

Gen. Corbin Turns Over Fund Subscribed to Widow of Late Under-Secretary.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—Gen. Corbin to-day turned over to Mrs. Lawton, widow of the late Major-Gen. Lawton, the fund subscribed by the people of the country.

It amounted to \$38,438.

Veteran Brother Dead.

The death of W. T. Henderson was announced from the rear of the New York Stock Exchange to-day. Mr. Henderson was a veteran member, having been admitted in 1861. He had an office at 11 New street. Of recent years he had not been an active member.